BAN MARCOS, TEXAS.

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TO ADVERTISERS.

The FREE Pages is a leading local newspaper, the best advertising medium and has the best printing office between Austin and San Antonio. It circulates considerably North as well as South. A live paper, devoted to the development and progress of the country. Jeffersonian Democratic in politics. San Marcos, the county seat, is a growing town of some 1800 inhabitants. It is situated on the International and Great Northern Railroad, running from St. Louis vis. Austin, the capital of the State, and San Antonio, her largest city, into Mexico. San Marcos is thirty miles from Austin and fifty miles from San Antonio. It is noted for its religious and educational privileges, and as the center of a splondid agricultural and stock country and excellent community; also for the celebrated springs, half a mile above, which boil up from the bowels of the earth at the foot of the mountains, forming the San Marcos river, and constituting at once a great natural curiosity, and inexhaustible water power. It already has water-works, an ice-factory, several mills, etc.

The Frax Press has been published by its present proprietor for over eleven years. It is well established, and gaining steadily to the CHARACTER of its circulation. farmers and business men. In this respect it has no superious in the state. See table of advertising rates on first page.

Co'The Facz Pages office also has all the requisite facilities for doing all kinds of Job Call and see samples. Prompt attention given to orders from a distance.

Exposition Notes, Etc.

the Exposition, the fire-works in the grounds town, but on a gigantic scale. one night should not be overlooked. They so far surpassed everything in that line we had ever before witnessed that we shall never again feel interested in an ordinary dis play. The representation of the Falls of Ningara deserves special mention. They fiery flood. All was perfect, even to the roar of the flory cataract.

The weather at New Orleans in Febru ary was somewhat chilly, but it was rather jumping to the conclusion that New Orleans, Texas, etc., are actually located within the

We have not referred to our theatrical ex ious the Bohemian Girl by Burnett's New York Ideal Opera Co. Both were good-of the Texas editors by appearing on the stage | The men are giants in stature and during one seene wearing a balge of the Press Association.

Our hasty reference to the editorial excursion at Galveston to "deep water" failed to indicate how much we were impressed by the novel seene. It gave us a vivid realiza tion of the reference of Byron to the waves of the sea as bounding beneath him "as a steed that knows his rider," while the flocks of "cute" looking sea guils and the occa sional "splurge" of a porpoise, so often de-scribed in stories of the sea were genuine novelties in our actual life. This advance into "the open sea" and all its attending circumstances with afford a solemn and ele-

vating remembrance while life shall last. To descend a long way, we have an anecdote of Uncle Dan'l of the Houston Age. En route from Galveston to New Orleans we accompanied a friend who wished to call on Uncle Dan'l at Houston. We found him it his sanctum, and very soon as a matter of course, he asked his visitors if they would not have some beer. We declined troubling him, but he insisted in order as he said, to show us how easy it was done. So he repaired to a corner of the room and blow his breath into a tube therein situated. He then stepped to the opposite corner, opened a rude closet constructed of a store-box, and presto! there were revealed drei lager. Uncle Dan'l insinuated that stronger drinks might be commanded by the same process, but we did not test his resources further the agency of the "black art," or something of that sort. But we hasten to leave the subject lest the wicked Siftings should see and try to pervert our harmless revelations as to the manner in which the good Uncle Dau'l disports himself and entertains his visiting friends.

A Family Reunion.

The Burleson Family Reunion met accord

the Coliscum Baptist Church. A highly interesting paper, prepared by Hon. W. Z. B. Samford, of Alabana, was read by his son, Hon W. J. Samford, ex-Congressman from Alabama, on the "Value of Family Reunions." Another paper of great interest, read from Rev. Dr. S. S. Burleson, Rector of St. Albans, Wis., on "The Burleson Family as Pioneurs in States Gen. Ed. Burleson, of Texas,"

Highly interesting letters were read from Wisconsin, Illinois, North Carolina, Alatanes, Arkaneas, Mississippi and Texas, Her. Dr. Rufus C. Burleson, of Waco, Texas, was elected president: Mr. Peter Clarke, of Mississippi, secretary.

The president, in connection with a vice president from each State, was empowered is the time and place of next meeting. All the addresses and papers are to be published in pumphlet form and sent to the ansurbers of the family New Orleans Like guests that meet and some from far, These Democrat. Feb. 70th. Ey condishlove invited.

The Great Valley, and the Great Natural Bond of National Union, Revisited.

and satisfactorily compensated by our noticed. February 19th a large and wintry. This morning we had a recent visit to New Orleans-we meeting of journalists in attendance fall of snow. mean in the extreme pleasure it on the Exposition was held at the afforded us to revisit the Mississippi headquarters of the Exposition, valley-in fact a leading purpose of Press Association, with a view of or our trip. Wordsworth wrote a poem entitled "Yarrow Revisited," and we itors. The meeting was called to feel almost inspired to attempt one order and its purpose explained by B. on "The Mississippi Revisited Born B. Herbert of the Advance and Reand reared and having spent nearly publican of Red Wing, Minn., after all our life in this valley, it was not which W. H. H. Judson, Chief of the until about a dozen years since, when Exposition Printing Bureau, deliver our eyes turned Texas-ward, that we ed an address of welcome. B. B. even dreamed of leaving it; and for Herbert responded. Colonel Elliott years after we actually departed, we of Texas was elected temporary Secwere haunted by an indescribable and retary and a permanent organization uncomfortable feeling of having got was in part effected by the election of out of our proper bounds and bear Herbert as President and Elliott as ings. The people of the Mississippi valley have formed the habit, unconsciously, of looking at everything with reference to it; and they are largely excusable, for it is almost a world within itself. When a small boy engaged in launching mimic boats on the brooks and creeks of our native The following is a partiel list of those home, we remember even then think-

reach the Gulf of Mexico! Little did Fla; Fred L Robinson, Brookville Crescent we then imagine that we should ever be a waif to reach that distant goal! the times and went West—even "be- Flannigan, Farm Journal Louisville Ky vond the Mississippi." Our first sight | Miss V Dalton, Journal of the Loom, of it and the crossing of it were an York; R H Thomas, Farmers' Friend, Me era in our life. We resided nearly in public favor. Especial attention is called five years in the young state of Iowa. (By the way, at the Exposition we It goes among the best class of well-to-do sought some acquaintances from that state, and though we left it in 1850. yet if we had had a little more time, we doubt not we would have found what we looked for.) During our Printing in the best modern styles, at Aus. stay in Iowa we saw the river at vatin, San Autonio and Galveston prices. rious points from Dubuque downwards. The Upper Mississippi is a

a beautiful stream, resembling in clearness, gentleness of current and Among our unnarrated sight-seeings at fine scenery the San Marcos at our

"There is a land of every land the pride," says a poet, and that land, he adds, is our home. But with the natives of the Mississippi valley this is more than a sentiment—it is a subwere well re-produced in a grand falling stantial verity. For what other land can compare with it? or what other Laredo Times, Texas; H C Townsend, Colopeople with its inhabitants? From its people with its inhabitants? From its far northern source in Itasca lake to R H McIlbean, Cedar Keys Beacon Fla; J Indicrous to see people there from the North, its debouchement into the Gulf of while admitting that it was 30° below zero Mexico, with its wide stretched arms, staff, Propical Paradise, Jacksonville, Florwhen they left home, complaining of the the Missouri, the Ohio, the Tennescold! The mistake such people make is in see, the Arkansas and many others, where is there another such a river or valley? And how rich in history and romance is it from the time of land bill. perience. We witnessed at Galveston a per- DeSoto and LaSalle to the present formance of the Emma Abbott troupe, and day. How rich too in the profuse at the Grunewald Opera House in New Or- production of every staple natural product. It is capable of feeding the their kind, but we can't say we admire the world. The human race here reachkind. Miss Abbott is personally quite an es towards perfection, in the noblest attractive young lady. She complimented manhood and loveliest womanhood.

have a proportionate largeness of

mind and soul.

But it is as the great natural bond of National Union that the Mississippi river and valley reach their highest distinction and glory. Aaron Burr plotted a Southwestern secession scheme early in our history. A New England Confederacy was talked of during the war of 1812. The great Southern Confederacy was but of yesterday, and during its existence there was at one time talk of a Northwestern Confederacy. We believe a been contemplated. All of these various movements of course had in view the disintegration of the National Union. Now did anybody hear of the idea of a Mississippi Valley Confederacy? Or is it not obvious that that valley has been the insuperable obstacle to all these various schemes? As to where his supplies cauce from, we have of course no idea, unless it was through ern Confederacy, we believe general ly concede that the men who really whipped them were they of the Mississippi valley, and certainly their in domitable devotion to the Union, not of fish. less than their valor, was fatal to the Confederacy. And how the intelligent leaders of the "lost cause" could ing to appointment in the lecture-room of ever have hoped to dissolve a Union the teeming millions who inhabited its valley, is something passing won-

follies of the wise. Such were some of our thoughts as Religion and Education." A letter was also read from Hon. G. W. Jones, ex-Congress amid the countless reminders of the man from Texas, on the "Life and Times of wenith and grandeur of the great valley-our fancy now going up instead of down the river-blending the past and present, suggesting a stanza far refused and neglected to act in we referred to in the beginning :

> Brisk Youth appeared, the morn of youth, With freaks of graceful folly— Life's temperate Noon, her sober Eve, Her Night not melancissly, Past, present, future, all appeared In harmony united,

National Editorial Association.

One interesting feature of the New With reference to one considera Orleans Exposition during our attention alone, we felt most abundantly dance there, we have not heretofore ganizing a national association of ed-

A call of the roll of States was then made, showing that the best represented States were Texas and Florida, the latter with ten, the former with nearly a score. This result was received with applause by all present. present:

ing of the great river, and how our T W Bricknell, Boston (Mass) Educator boats might float down the brook and and Journal of Education, E Sheldon, Boston Journal of Education; H H Harvey, creek into the Whitewater, thence Quincy (Mass) Stonecutters' Journal; Ezra into the Miami, thence down the Mississippi, and at last D H Elliott, Florida Despatch, Jacksonville Florida; E F Jones, Yazoo Valley Flag, Greenwood Miss; W H H Judson, Superiu-Later on we shared the spirit of Watson, New Orleans Sugar Bowl; T A chanicsburg, Pa; J L Kingsbury, Indianap olis Farmer; Geo Walker, Chicago and Northwestern Lumberman; J H Pierce, Journal of Commerce, Chicago; Frank A Vanderlip, Evening Post, Aurora Ill.; Mrs A Conant, Chicago Industrial World; H Gillett Hastings, New Era Minnesota; Henry Hinds, Scott County Argus, Schakopa, Minn; E W Randall, Morris Tribune, Minnesota; B B Herbert, Advance Republican, Red Wing, Minn; M O Hall, Minneapolis Tribune, Minnesota; J A Brewster, Los Angelos Times, California; J R Wildmayer, Glendive Independent, Montana; Judge Jas H Davis, Mount Vernon Herald, Texas; W T S Keller, Marshall Messenger, Texas; C E Gilbert, Abilene Reporter, Texas; Stephen Gould, San Antonio Express Texas; Geo W Jenks, Stephenville Empire, Texas; Isaac H. Julian, San Marcos Free Press, Texas; H W Walker, Cisco Telegraph Texas; W W West, New Boston Herald, Texas; F N Fletcher, Atlanta Citizens' Journal, Texas; F E Larimer, Cisco Round-Up, Texas; Fred E A Robinson, Huntsville Item, Texas; J P Leslie, Van Alstyne Enterprise, Texas; J P Bridges, Luling Signal, Texas; B C Murray, Denison Gazetter, Texas; H C Jones, Dallas Planter and Farmer, Texas; W L Gibbs, Abilene Quill, Texas; John F Elliott, Dallas Herald, Texas; J S Penn,

ed and the meeting adjourned.

Spencer, Tampa Tribune, Fla; W S

R Tanbarks, Fernandino Mirror, Fla; F K

Governor Ireland has vetoed the

The late union of the Houston Journal and Chronicle in the revived Post, with Prof. Girardeau as editor in chief, is a happy consummation. Long life the Post.

Nat. Q. Henderson is again at the helm of the Georgetown Record. The copy before us is a clean and creditable record We notice Nat. now figures as an independent political critic.

FROM ST. LOUIS.

From our Regular Correspondent. St. Louis, April 9, 1885.

ED. FREE PRESS: The city election took place this week; it was the most exciting political conflict witnessed in St. Louis for many years. Nearly fifty thousand votes were east. The Democratic triumph is complete. The Democracy swept the city from stem Pacific Coast Confederacy has also to stern. One candidate on the whole for three and four dollars a bushel,

suddenly famous. The Governor is home again, and the wanderer's marions were involved, has provoked the uncharitable apinion with some per-

By the way, unaccountable disappearances of prominent people have become quite a feature of city life of thus bound together by the great river is profoundly agitated by the escaits commerce, and the patriotism of pade of some individual whose strange absence he or she refuses to explain.

A destructive and sand calamderful, and a glaring example of the ity has visited some parts of the state of Missouri in the form of pleuro- favor daily and now rivals the stock pneumonia among cattle. Every effort is being made by the state authorities to prevent the disease from spreading. The stockmen have thus of the poem of Wordsworth which harmony with the authorities and with each other, and no effective and thirteen by the use of mullein. substantial measures have been

islature will have to be re-convened in order to secure some substantial law to meet the trouble.

The weather here continues cold

CARL SMYTHE.

AUSTIN LETTER.

Austin, April 13th, 1885. EDITOR FREE PRESS: The Nineteenth Legislature is a thing of history, and while by many it has been criticised, it compares favorably with previous legislatures. No great wrong has been done the people with one exception—that of the enactment Land Law. It is hoped that the Governor will have the manliness to veto it, yet it is claimed by the friends of the measure that he will permit it to become a law without his signature. The Galveston News claims that the governor is thinking too much of his race for United States Senator to dare veto it. There is no doubt something in this, or the result might be different.

The question of "Granite or Limestone," has been settled, and to the disappointment of the masses of the people the Capitol will be constructed according to first plans and specifications. It will be an elegant struc ture even then, but to have been made of granite as "lasting as the hills" would have been superlatively

A report grew current upon the streets a few days ago that the capitol contractors had thrown up their job. It spread like wild fire and created quite a commotion among the working classes. Colonel Babcock was sought and put to quiet the report by denying it in toto and stating that the capitol would be built by the contractors and within the time specified by the contract. It finally settles all reports to the contrary.

The city is quiet and the hotels and boarding houses look deserted. There seem to be no "servant girl's" now, though Austin is filled a class of "dead beats" unknown to any other city in the state. Some of them came here years ago, presumably to get a pull at the public crib. They infest the Halls of every legislature asking endorsements for public patronage with great confidence and assumed dignity. In almost every instance they are utterly unfit for public service either by moral worth or education, and the readiness by which some members signed their applications is a mystery. I am proud to state, however, that neither the gentleman from Hays or Caldwell gave their influence to such villainy.

The last few days of the legislature members were busily engaged fixing up their slates. It is amusing to watch these place seekers wrangling with themselves. The sudden change of the Statesman toward Mr. Swain is amusing to one who watches the course of events carefully. During the early days of the legislature it was particularly severe on Col. Swain, but a change has come over its dreams. But as the Statesman has generally been correct in its political criticisms of men and measures I am inclined to accept it now as ortho-

Market gardening near the city of Austin has grown to be very profitable. A proprietor of a 21 acre market garden in the suburbs of the city told me a few days ago that he took in \$8,000 on his little farm during the last year. There is no doubt of the correctness of the assertion as it has always been looked upon as a highly profitable business. Irish potatoes sell readily early in the spring republican ticket has survived to tell and of the earliest varieties an acre will produce about two hundred bushels. They are taken off by May Governor Fletcher's mysterious and 15th and the ground planted in sweet prolonged absence, mentioned in my potatoes which yield is also very last letter, has made that gentleman large, and if the frost does not come too soon, yield from two to three hundred bushels per acre. They com mand a good price the year round. velous story of his travels and sudden About December the potatoes are and unexpected business adventures dug and the land planted in mustard, in the heart of Mexico, in which mill- onions and turnips. These are sold by March 1st, and the same crop is planted again. During December, January and February the land is sons that the narrative has the smell highly manured from droppings gathered at the different stables in the city. From twenty to thirty wagon loads are placed upon every acre, and the rapidity of the growth of the vegetation planted is remarkable. Horse late, and at regular intervals society manure is heating in its nature and causes rapid and vigorous growth. An egg farm has recently been es-

tablished near the city. In my next I will give your readers an account of its management and arrangement. Fowl raising is growing in popular

Dio Rivers.

Mullein vs Cod Liver Oil. Dr. Quillan the leading authority of Great Britain on lung diseases says, while one of his patients gained only seven pounds by use of Cod Laver Oil, she gained over field Mullein made into a tea combined with Sweet Gum presents in Taylor's Cherokee adopted. The greatest alarm and Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullein a pleas. confusion prevails in some counties of the state and the loss of cattle by the disease is immense. It is the unanimous opinion here that the leg-

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent. WASHINGTON, Apr. 6th, 1885.

The stars and stripes no longer wave over the north wing of the Capitol. The Senate has adjourned, but many Senators with their families linger in Washington and enjoy the beautiful spring weather which came promptly on the first day of April. The crocuses are in bloom in the parks. The shade trees are putting forth their leaves, and the detestable English sparrows are as numerous and as nasty as ever, in spite of the systematic and desultory efforts that have been made to exterminate them. Fashionable Washington is on wheels, or in the saddle, and unfashionable Washington too. Old fashioned pedestrianism is in danger of becoming a lost art. The miles of concrete pavement furnish such a skating rink as no other city can afford, and children of all ages, shades, colors and conditions, live on roller skates from early morning to late at night. Then there are cycles, bicycles. tricycles, and quadracycles, to say nothing of the old fashioned vehicles that have horses for a motive power. This is indeed a peculiar city, and every succeeding year seems to draw more sharply the contrast between the

pleasure loving, easy going Capital,

and the great commercial and manu-

It is expected that Washington,

facturing marts of the New World.

nothwithstanding the absence of Conress, will continue to be the center of political interest during the summer. The president and his cabinet do not expect to go on a trip to the Yellowstone, or to Long Branch, nor will they cruise along the Atlantic coast in a government vessel. They will remain in the District of Columbia, giving close and personal attention to their several departments, and setting an example to the thousands of clerks who have been in the habit of absenting themselves during the summer, to the great and serious detriment of the public business. There is a great deal to be done in all the Departments before they can be reduced to their original purpose of offices for the transaction of the business of the great nation. This work has been planned, it has been undertaken, but it cannot be successfully consummated without the strictest supervision of responsible heads. I do not think it can be done without a corps of subordinates in accord with the principles and purposes of the administration. A very large number of the idle, useless, obstructive parasites in the government offices must be, will be cast out. Civil service reform will become a byword and a hissing unless this is done.

That the president was wise in not expecting too much in the way of confirmation of his appointments by the Republican Senate the sequel has proved, The Senate adjourned leaving a score of the 170 whom he had nominated unconfirmed. The significance of this neglect is apparent.

List of letters remaining in the Post Office at San Marcos Texas for the week ending April 13, 1885 :

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Stephens William Snipes P B Shelton J C Hampton Mrs Nettie Persons calling for above letters will

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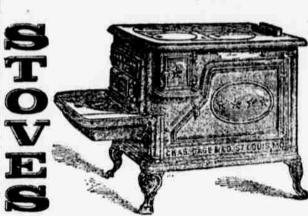
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